

WORLD OF RADIO #1242, produced August 18, 2004 by Glenn Hauser

*Standard disclaimer

- *New Continent of Media, 04-06 available at <http://www.DXing.com> and <http://www.worldofradio.com> --- also August-September Mundo Radial
- *When one WBCQ transmitter is out of service, may move programming to another frequency, e.g. Wed at 2200 for WOR on 7415, may be accompanied by 5105 instead of 17495. So check other frequencies, the remaining one being 9330 [in fact this week, the 17495-CUSB airing of WOR was moved to 2300 UT Wed, too late for us to announce or confirm]
- *WRMI finally moved to 6870 from UT Aug 16 [not 17 as I said] but WOR played by mistake at 0300 UT Monday instead of 0230
- *WRMI filling more time with World Radio Network, totalling 72.5 hours per week: M-F 1200-1600, Sat 1200-2200, Sun 1330-2000 on 15725; UT Tue-Sat 0400-0900, Sun/Mon 0330-0900 on 6870; consult <http://www.wrn.org> for North American service schedule
- *Some not on SW at all, even in home country, such as R. Guangdong, China, which QSLed reception via WRMI, Sat 1600-1615 on 15724.88
- *WRMI escaped hurricane damage, but WYFR off the air 24 hours, not due to damage but power was off UT Aug 14, including BBC and Taiwan relays
- *Jonathan Marks, holidaying in Cyprus, says French beat the US in Arabic broadcasting, comparing RMC-ME to Radio Sawa
- *Radio Free Asia has new automated reception report system online, attributed or anonymous at <http://www.techweb.rfa.org>
- *VOA quietly canceled Uzbek-language broadcasts at end of July, to concentrate on TV; R. Liberty still in Uzbek
- *Too late for last week's program, but we had several days advance notice of first test of a new clandestine service for the Maldives Islands, Radio Minivan, Wed Aug 18 at 1630-1730 on 11525, due to civil strife there, provided by Friends of Maldives in the UK, via a confidential site in eastern Europe. European monitors were able to hear it: break at 1652, undermodulated, hummy, hard to read, 'Romanian style' modulation, overlap of two different audio sources. admin @ friendsofmaldives.co.uk acknowledged reports quickly from Rebecca Cork; she read poem in English 'The Walk for Freedom', recorded by Henrik Klemetz. But reception results from Maldives target not yet in. Plans regular broadcasts from next Wed Aug 25. [later: BBCM got a fix on this site as Bulgaria; reception spotty in Maldives and may try another site next week]. See <http://www.friendsofmaldives.co.uk> and <http://www.newsofmaldives.com>
- *V. of Jammu and Kashmir Freedom, 5102, 1300-1430 UT includes English at 1400-1408; believed via Pakistan, with Muzzafarabad address
- *Voice of Iraq, private station in Baghdad, on MW 1179, English monitored at 1108-1152 starting and ending with news summaries
- *Israel Radio transferred web streaming from Real Audio to Windows Media to improve performance, adding more services, some including English segments; via <http://www.iba.org.il>

- *R. Peace, South Sudan, 4750, QSLed for Jari Savolainen thru extraordinary measures; friend hand-delivered reception report at remote site without E-mail or P-mail; closest P O Box across the border in Loki, Kenya, two hours drive away, may be used; schedule 0230-0430 and 1600-1800 includes English segments
- *Zimbabwe Herald reports that owner of a house destroyed in bomb attack is suing Voice of the People to which she had rented it, for \$1.2 mega [rather than the government which bombed it!]
- *The media magazine you monitor with your mind, World of Radio 1242, P O Box 1684, Enid, OK 73702, USA: or woradio at yahoo.com Check our website for much more: <http://worldofradio.com>
- *LRA-36, Antarctica, 15476, reported twice from North America this week, until blocked by Chile at 2059 [M-F only]
- *Brazil is so big that some tropical or SW frequencies are occupied by more than one station: two of them on 6105, both with Voz do Brasil program at 2249 via R. Cancao Nova and Radio Cultura Filadelfia
- *And 5055 with different programming, R. Difusora Caceres, and R. Jornal A Critica, both at 1022-1031
- *More mandatory programming in Brasil: during current campaign for municipal elections Oct. 3, political ads at 1000-1030 and 1500-1530 thru Sept 30
- *The one night WYFR was off the air thanks to Hurricane Charley, Radio Pio Doce, Bolivia in the clear on 5952.43 from 0957 to 1028; R. Mosoj Chaski, Bolivia, from 0826 with eerie sound FX on 3310
- *R. Huarmaca, Peru, reactivated on 5384.16
- *La Voz de tu Conciencia, Colombia, expects approval shortly for second frequency 5910, besides 6010; to test within a couple of weeks, after a year's delay. May be aimed at North America, including English
- *RFPI websites about to be relaunched: <http://www.rfpi.org> and <http://www.saverfpi.org>
- *R. Amazonas, Venezuela, 4939.66, on much later than usual with election returns Aug 16, as late as 0800
- *R. Nacional de Venezuela could not be heard as its Cuban relay plus RHC and China relays knocked off air by Hurricane Charley since Aug 13 and still off Aug 18. Don't know what damage the antennas may have suffered, but electricity has been out in western Cuba
- *We couldn't help but notice that the jammers against R. Marti continued unabated; in eastern Cuba, and/or enjoy much higher priority, perhaps with own generators, than mere broadcasting
- *Check <http://www.radiohc.cu> where news is updated even tho not on the air; you might get streams to work, but do not depend on English appearing at the scheduled times. Arnie Coro was heavily involved in his ham radio activity during the hurricane
- *CBC cancels all live web streaming for duration of Olympics; but RCI is still streaming, including many CBC programs: <http://www.rcinet.ca>
- *Shortwave relay from Vancouver, CKZU, 6160, off the air for a week
- *KICY, 850, Nome, Alaska, granted increase to 50 kW night power, but

directional during specified hours, why at that remote location? To reach Russia better during religion at 0800-0930

- *Catholic Radio Network, Papua New Guinea, reported inland as far as Colorado, Alberta, on 4960; but Vanuatu missing from 7260 and its alternate is 4960
- *World Music Radio [Denmark], reactivated 5815 August 14, widely reported since, as far as Australia around 1800; antenna moved 300 metres to avoid local interference
- *Deutsche Welle in German, 3995, switched to DRM mode at 1800-0600; expected to blot out neighboring frequencies
- *Historic antenna mast at Lopik, Holland, scheduled for demolition Sat Aug 21 [not 14 as I said!], and to be shown on webcast, perhaps at 0650, <http://www.nozema.nl>
- *It's on again -- the longwave 189 in Sicily
- *Monitoring indicates the two new 100 kW transmitters at R. Tirana are on the air; China installed them at one site, Shijak; while the other site, Cerrik, has been rented exclusively to CRI for a sesquidecade where they will install 6 x 150 kW transmitters soon
- *WSQT, Guerrilla Radio, leftist, anti-Republican, heard in Washington DC, on 1679.95, meaning ``squatting`` on the frequency
- *Air America's Saturday morning show ``Ring of Fire`` changes Aug 21 to Sat 2206 UT, repeated Sun 2206. Air America via KPOP, 1360, San Diego delayed until August 23, after former music DJs have a chance to say goodbye
- *Minnesota Public Radio purchasing its main classical rival, WCAL for \$10.5 mega, finalized in December
- *NBC Universal's rules about limiting other networks' Olympics coverage: in DXLD 4-121
- *Coverage of Hurricane Charley in Florida also in DXLD 4-121, 4-124
- *Federal government slow to set up emergency broadcast stations in hurricane area, using banner-towing planes instead
- *International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend Aug 21-22, with lots of special ham stations; details in DXLD 4-124 and at http://illw.net/2004_list.htm
- *Propagation outlook from Boulder Aug 17; flux range 125 to 90
- *And so concludes World of Radio 1242. I'm Glenn Hauser; hope you've enjoyed the program and will join me again next week ###